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Conservation Program Signup Opens Early for 2007

Signup for conservation programs will open no later than November 2, 2006 and close by December 31, 2006 this year. The signups will be held at the same time for the major NRCS conservation programs – Environmental Quality Incentives Program, Wetlands Reserve Program, Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program.

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New Watershed eligible for 2006 Conservation Security Program

NRCS announced that a new watershed in Puerto Rico has been selected to participate in the [Conservation Security Program \(CSP\)](#). The Southern Puerto Rico 8-Digit Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC) has an extension of 545,280 acres, which covers about 24% of the island of Puerto Rico.

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New FY 2006 Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative (CCPI)

[Up to \\$4 Million Available for Cooperative Conservation Partnership Initiative—Proposals Due March 7, 2006](#) at www.nrcs.usda.gov.

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Caribbean Area Soils Data

- [Electronic Field Office Technical Guide \(eFOTG\)](#) - Technical guides and references for NRCS.
- [Soil Data Mart](#) - Where users can obtain the most current official soil information. Determine and download soil tabular and spatial data for one soil survey area at a time. Generate a variety of reports for one soil survey area at a time.
- [Official Soil Series Descriptions](#) (OSD) - Is a term applied to the description approved by the Natural Resources Conservation Service that defines a specific soil series in the United States.
- [Soil Lab Data](#) - This application allows users to generate, print and download reports containing soil characterization data stored and maintained by the NSSC Soil Survey Laboratory.
- [Web Soil Survey](#) - Access to soil survey information is provided through maps. All text and tables relate to the map symbols and the areas delineated on these maps.

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On-line Manuals/Handbooks

- [National Soil Survey Handbook](#) - Policy, definitions and procedures for conducting soil survey.
- [Soil Survey Manual](#) - Major principles and practices for soil surveys.

Welcome to the Soil Data Mart! The Soil Data Mart allows you to:

- Determine where soil tabular and spatial data is available.
- Download data for one soil survey area at a time. (Download requests for more than one survey area at a time can be submitted through the [Geospatial Data Gateway](#). Going through the Geospatial Data Gateway also provides the option to obtain data on CD or DVD.)
- Download a template Microsoft Access® database for working with downloaded data.
- Generate a variety of reports for one soil survey area at a time.
- Find out who to contact for information about soil data for a particular state.
- "Subscribe" or "unsubscribe" to a soil survey area. A person who is subscribed will automatically be notified whenever data for that soil survey area is updated. You must register and login before doing this.

alternative presentation of the soil survey area data contained in the Soil Data Mart, in [Web Soil Survey](#), maps and survey area manuscripts, when they are available through [Web Soil Survey](#).



Before you start, see [Soil Data Mart - Purpose and Procedures \(2579K\)](#).

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Please either select from the list of options across the top of the page, or to request a download or generate reports, begin by selecting a state or territory.

The Soil Data Mart may be unavailable on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Mountain time due to maintenance activities.

The Soil Data Mart has been tested under Mozilla Firefox® 1.0 and later, Microsoft Internet Explorer® 5.0 and later, and Netscape Navigator® 4.7 and later for Microsoft Windows®. There are differences in site navigation and mechanics under different versions of these browsers. Some differences are more significant than others. There are some major differences under Netscape Navigator® 4.7 and 4.8. For details on site navigation and mechanics under different versions of these browsers, please see [Navigating and Using the Soil Data Mart](#) on the [Soil Data Mart Help page](#).

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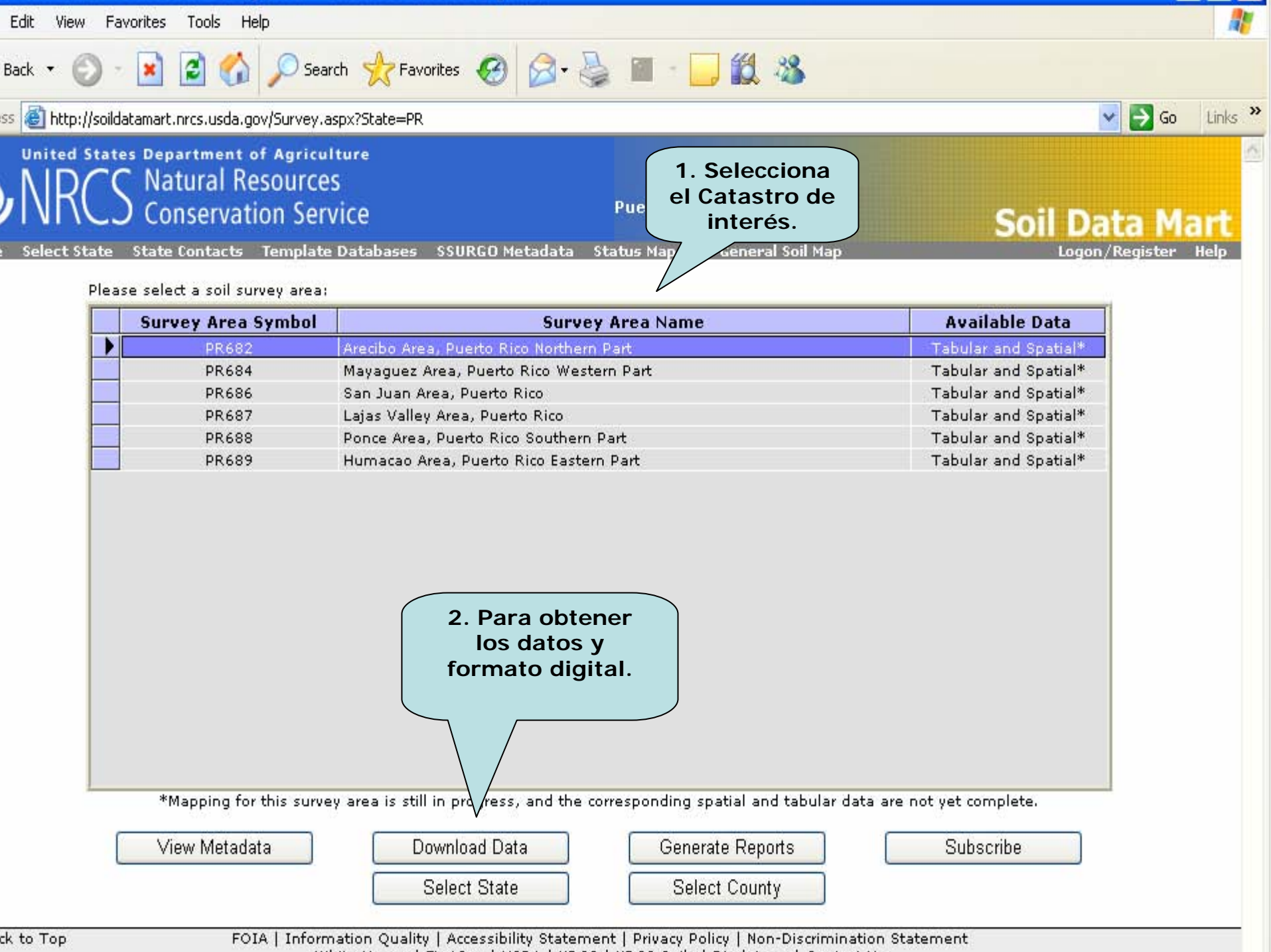
Please select a state or territory with at least one survey area:

State or Territory Code	State or Territory Name	Available Survey Areas
OR	Oregon	37
PA	Pennsylvania	61
RI	Rhode Island	1
SC	South Carolina	48
SD	South Dakota	66
TN	Tennessee	92
TX	Texas	232
UT	Utah	32
VT	Vermont	14
VA	Virginia	87
WA	Washington	43
WV	West Virginia	42
WI	Wisconsin	69
WY	Wyoming	34
PR	Puerto Rico	6
VI	Virgin Islands	1
AS	American Samoa	1
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MH	Marshall Islands	
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PW	Palau	1

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▶	PR682	Arecibo Area, Puerto Rico Northern Part	Tabular and Spatial*
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	PR686	San Juan Area, Puerto Rico	Tabular and Spatial*
	PR687	Lajas Valley Area, Puerto Rico	Tabular and Spatial*
	PR688	Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Part	Tabular and Spatial*
	PR689	Humacao Area, Puerto Rico Eastern Part	Tabular and Spatial*

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Please select a spatial format:
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Please select a coordinate system:
UTM Zone 19, Northern Hemisphere (NAD 83)

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Please select a template database (optional):

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State	MS Access Version	Template DB Version	Template DB Name	Size
US	Access 2002	33	soildb_US_2002	1.7M
US	Access 2000	33	soildb_US_2000	1.7M
US	Access 97	32	soildb_US_97	1.4M
AK	Access 2002	32.15	soildb_AK_2002	2.5M

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Subject: Soil Data Mart export notification

The export file requested for carmen.santiago@pr.usda.gov is available at

ftp://soildatamart-export.sc.egov.usda.gov/export/e_441729/soil_pr682.zip

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The export contains the following soil survey area (SSA) data:

Symbol: PR682
Name: Arecibo Area, Puerto Rico Northern Part
Version: 7
Version Est.: 12/26/2006 12:35:07 PM
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Bular Version Est.: 12/26/2006 12:35:07 PM
atial Data Version: 2
atial Version Est.: 2/15/2006 9:38:01 AM
atial Format: ArcView Shapefile
ordinate System: UTM Zone 19, Northern Hemisphere (NAD 83)

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This report lists some of the more commonly used soil properties, and the report(s) in which each soil property is displayed.

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AaC	Aceitunas sandy clay loam, 5 to 12 percent slopes
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ArC	Arecibo sandy loam, 5 to 12 percent slopes

Puedes seleccionar todas las unidades cartográficas de suelo.

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- ☐ ENG - Local Roads and Streets
- ☐ ENG - Sanitary Landfill (Area)
- ☐ ENG - Sanitary Landfill (Trench)
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Arecibo Area, Puerto Rico Northern Part

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[The information in this table indicates the dominant soil condition but does not eliminate the need for onsite investigation. The table shows only the top five limitations for any given soil. The soil may have additional limitations]

*This soil interpretation was designed as a "limitation" as opposed to a "suitability". The numbers in the value columns range from 0.01 to 1.00. The larger the value, the greater the potential limitation.

Map symbol and soil name	Pct. of map unit	ENG - Sanitary Landfill (Area) *		ENG - Sanitary Landfill (Trench) *		ENG - Septic Tank Absorption Fields *	
		Rating class and limiting features	Value	Rating class and limiting features	Value	Rating class and limiting features	Value
AcC:							
Aceitunas	100	Somewhat limited		Somewhat limited		Somewhat limited	
		Slope	0.04	Too clayey	0.50	Slow water movement	0.50
				Slope	0.04	Slope	0.04
AdF2:							
Adjuntas	100	Very limited		Very limited		Very limited	
		Slope	1.00	Slope	1.00	Depth to bedrock	1.00
		Depth to bedrock	1.00	Depth to bedrock	1.00	Slope	1.00
				Too clayey	0.50	Slow water movement	0.50
AgC:							
Algarrobo	100	Very limited		Very limited		Somewhat limited	
		Seepage	1.00	Too clayey	1.00	Slow water movement	0.82

Puedes seleccionar de los informes individuales ofrecidos.

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		Rating class and limiting features	Value	Rating class and limiting features	Value	Rating class and limiting features	Value

AcC:

Aceitunas	100	Very limited		Very limited		Very limited	
		Too clayey	1.00	Too clayey	1.00	Too clayey	1.00
		Slope	0.04	Slope	0.04	Slope	1.00

AdF2:

Adjuntas	100	Very limited		Very limited		Very limited	
		Slope	1.00	Slope	1.00	Slope	1.00
		Too clayey	0.50	Too clayey	0.50	Depth to bedrock	0.80
		Slow water movement	0.26	Slow water movement	0.26	Too clayey	0.50
						Slow water movement	0.26

AgC:

Algarrobo	100	Very limited		Very limited		Very limited	
		Too sandy	1.00	Too sandy	1.00	Too sandy	1.00
						Slope	1.00

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Camp Areas, Picnic Areas, and Playgrounds

The soils of the survey area are rated in this table according to limitations that affect their suitability for camp areas, picnic areas, and playgrounds. The ratings are both verbal and numerical. Rating class terms indicate the extent to which the soils are limited by all of the soil features that affect the recreational uses. "Not limited" indicates that the soil has features that are very favorable for the specified use. Good performance and very low maintenance can be expected. "Somewhat limited" indicates that the soil has features that are moderately favorable for the specified use. The limitations can be overcome or minimized by special planning, design, or installation. Fair performance and moderate maintenance can be expected. "Very limited" indicates that the soil has one or more features that are unfavorable for the specified use. The limitations generally cannot be overcome without major soil reclamation, special design, or expensive installation procedures. Poor performance and high maintenance can be expected.

Numerical ratings in the table indicate the severity of individual limitations. The ratings are shown as decimal fractions ranging from 0.01 to 1.00. They indicate gradations between the point at which a soil feature has the greatest negative impact on the use (1.00) and the point at which the soil feature is not a limitation (0.00).

The ratings are based on restrictive soil features, such as wetness, slope, and texture of the surface layer. Susceptibility to flooding is considered. Not considered in the ratings, but important in evaluating a site, are the location and accessibility of the area, the size and shape of the area and its scenic quality, vegetation, access to water, potential water impoundment sites, and access to public sewer lines. The capacity of the soil to absorb septic tank effluent and the ability of the soil to support vegetation also are important. Soils that are subject to flooding are limited for recreational uses by the duration and intensity of flooding and the season when flooding occurs. In planning recreational facilities, onsite assessment of the height, duration, intensity, and frequency of flooding is essential.

The information in this table can be supplemented by other information, for example, interpretations for dwellings without basements, for local roads and streets, and for septic tank absorption fields.

"Camp areas" require site preparation, such as shaping and leveling the tent and parking areas, stabilizing roads and intensively used areas, and installing sanitary facilities and utility lines. Camp areas are subject to heavy foot traffic and some vehicular traffic. The ratings are based on the soil properties that affect the ease of developing camp areas and the performance of the areas after development. Slope, stoniness, and depth to bedrock or a cemented pan are the main concerns affecting the development of camp areas. The soil properties that affect the performance of the areas after development are those that influence trafficability and promote the growth of vegetation, especially in heavily used areas. For good trafficability, the surface of camp areas should absorb rainfall readily, remain firm under heavy foot traffic, and not be dusty when dry. The soil properties that influence trafficability are texture of the surface layer, depth to a water table, ponding, flooding, saturated hydraulic conductivity (Ksat), and large stones. The soil properties that affect the growth of plants are depth to bedrock or a cemented pan, Ksat, and toxic substances in the soil.

"Picnic areas" are subject to heavy foot traffic. Most vehicular traffic is confined to access roads and parking areas. The ratings are based on the soil properties that affect the ease of developing picnic areas and that influence trafficability and the growth of vegetation after development. Slope and stoniness are the main concerns affecting the development of picnic areas. For good trafficability, the surface of picnic areas should absorb rainfall readily, remain firm under heavy foot traffic, and not be dusty when dry. The soil properties that influence trafficability are texture of the surface layer, depth to a water table, ponding, flooding, Ksat, and large stones. The soil properties that affect the growth of plants are depth to bedrock or a cemented pan, Ksat, and toxic substances in the soil.

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